WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Hannah Barker
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	8 October 2020
LOCATION:	11 Kings Walk, Shoreham-By-Sea, BN43 5LG
SUBJECT:	AWDM/1525/20 Retrospective application to retain timber 1.4m high fence to the front boundary including vehicular and pedestrian gates.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	N/A

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals which include up to 5 residential units or extensions to single units accessed from roads that do not form part of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). As such the comments provided by Strategic Planning should be considered to be advice only, with respect to this planning application.

This proposal has been considered by means of a desktop study, using the information and plans submitted with this application, in conjunction with other available WSCC map information. A site visit can be arranged on request.

This proposal is for the erection of a 1.4m high fence along the edge of front boundary. The site is located on Kings Walk, an unclassified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph in this location. This application is retrospective, with the works having been commenced on 03/08/2020. WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) raises no highway safety concerns for this application, subject to the below comments.

The applicant proposes to erect a fence line along the southern boundary of the property, with vehicular and pedestrian gates. From inspection of the plans, the proposed fence line will not encroach onto publicly maintained highway. The applicant should ensure that the gates open inward of the site, and not outward onto maintained highway boundary. The LHA does not anticipate that the proposed fence line would obstruct vehicular visibility along the maintained highway in this location.

An inspection of collision data provided to WSCC by Sussex Police from a period of the last five years reveals no recorded injury accidents within the vicinity of the site. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest the existing access is operating unsafely or that the proposal would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

In conclusion, the LHA does not consider that this proposal would have an unacceptable impact on highway safety or result in 'severe' cumulative impacts on the operation of the highway network, therefore is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 109), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

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